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For:

METHODS FOR EFFECTUATING MRNA TRANSFER OF GENETIC INFORMATION BETWEEN SPECIES AND PRODUCT OF THE SAME

Group Art Unit 1638

Examiner: Stewart F. Baum

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated March 21, 2002.

Applicant has attached a clean copy of the amended claims (Attachment A), in addition to a marked copy of the amended claims (Attachment B). For the convenience of the examiner, the applicant has attached a copy of all the claims pending in the application in their present form (Attachment C).

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 17, 18, 23 and 24

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